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**MEDIA ADVISORY: GOV. EASLEY TO PRESENT AWARD TO CUMBERLAND COUNTY
LEARN AND EARN HIGH SCHOOL**

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley will address government, business and education leaders at the 2008 North Carolina School Innovation Leadership Retreat and present an award to Cumberland County's *Learn and Earn* high school **TODAY (April 10) at 1:00 p.m. in the Calloway/Oakley Room at the Carolina Hotel (1 Carolina Vista Drive) in Pinehurst.**

He will present the inaugural "Innovator Award" to Cross Creek Early College High School in Cumberland County in recognition of its success in preparing students for college. Cross Creek is located on the campus of Fayetteville State University and was one of the first *Learn and Earn* high schools to open in North Carolina.

Directions from Raleigh: Follow U.S. #1 south. Take U.S. #1 to Sanford and exit onto Hwy. 15-501 south. Follow Hwy. 15-501 south to the traffic circle in Pinehurst, approx. 20 miles. When you enter the circle, take the second exit, which is Hwy. 2 west. Follow Hwy. 2 for 1.3 miles and turn right onto Carolina Vista.

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